Notice was duly published August 7, 2026, on page 6 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on August 18, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Christian Mirch, Eric Kamler, and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room, and Commissioner Kevin Stocker appearing virtually. Chair Schram stated that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and invited the public to address the Commission. No public comment offered. Chair Schram announced and welcomed Aaron Davis and Traci Christman to the Commission and congratulated Commissioner Dan Watermeier on his appointment as co-Chair on the NARUC Committee on Infrastructure.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS & NUSF DEPARTMENT

C-5709: In the matter of the joint application of Great Plains Communications, LLC, Blair, Nebraska, and American Broadband Holding Company, Overland Park, Kansas, seeking approval of a transfer of control of American Broadband Holding Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries in Nebraska, including Arlington Telephone Company, Blair Telephone Company, Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, Rock County Telephone Company, and HunTel Cablevision Inc., each doing business as Fastwyre Broadband. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Granting Application and Requiring Ongoing Reporting. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5714: In the Matter of the Application of Kinetic ABS NE LLC, Little Rock, Arkansas, seeking authority to provide competitive local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Granting Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

CPF-1: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to administer federal Capital Projects Funds for broadband development in Nebraska. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch, to enter an Order Clarifying Speed Testing Requirements for the Line Extension Program. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-1, PO #7: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to investigate the audit requirements related to the Nebraska Universal

Service Fund. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to approve Cullen Robbins' request to grant Fulton Communications, Inc.'s audit extension request to September 30, 2026 for the NUSF Remittance Audit Report otherwise due on December 31, 2025. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-1, PO #7: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to investigate the audit requirements related to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to approve Cullen Robbins' request to grant Global Connection Inc of America's audit extension request to August 1, 2026 for the NUSF Remittance Audit Report otherwise due on December 31, 2025. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-1, PO #7: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to investigate the audit requirements related to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to approve Cullen Robbins' request to grant Hughes Network Systems, LLC's audit extension request to September 30, 2026 for the NUSF Remittance Audit Report otherwise due on December 31, 2025. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-148.10: In the Matter of Great Plains Communications LLC, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Citizens Telecommunications of Nebraska d/b/a Frontier Communications of Nebraska Support Areas;
NUSF-148.11: In the Matter of Great Plains Communications LLC, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Windstream Nebraska, Inc. support areas; and
NUSF-148.12: In the Matter of Great Plains Communications LLC, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Qwest Corporations d/b/a CenturyLink QC or United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink support areas. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter Order Granting Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

TRS-34: Cullen Robbins, Director, Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Global Connection Inc., Respondent. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Dismissing Complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Report on Telecommunications Complaints and Outages received by the Communications Department during the preceding month: Cullen Robbins informed the Commission of the Complaints and Outages reports for July 2026.

STATE 911 DEPARTMENT

911-002: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to determine the surcharge for the 911 Service System Fund. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Scheduling Hearing for Tuesday, September 15, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. Central Time. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

911 Service System Advisory Committee member appointments: Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch Dave Sankey requests Commission approval to appoint two members to the 911 Service System Advisory Committee. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

MCC-3211: In the Matter of Dillon Keiffer-Johnson, Director of the Motor Transportation Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Paradise Limo, LLC, Hastings, Respondent. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch, to enter an Order Issuing Default Judgment and Scheduling a Hearing. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2201: In the Matter of the Application of Story Management, LLC d/b/a Story Management, Lincoln, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in Charter service by bus in and between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Granting Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2206: In the Matter of the Application of Capital City Charters, LLC, d/b/a Blackout Event Services, Hickman, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in Open Class service by Special Party by bus in and between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Granting Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

MT-0006.01: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to collect and review data to compile the 2026 TNC Annual Report pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 75-343. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Granting Extension of Time for Lyft, Inc. to submit data to September 4, 2026. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2180.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Catch a Ride Taxi and Transportation, LLC, Kearney, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Granting Rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Dillon Keiffer-Johnson to travel to and attend the 2026 Association of State Rail Safety Managers in New York, New York from September 14, 2026 to September 18, 2026 with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, to approve the travel request. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on August 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on August 24, 2026.

Tim Schram

Chair

Executive Director